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Ahmadinejad congratulates Rohani on Iran election victory



Iran's President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad
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Incumbent Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has congratulated Hassan Rohani following his victory in Iran's 11th presidential election.

In a message on Saturday, Ahmadinejad congratulated Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei, the Iranian nation and the president-elect on the important June 14 election.

'I have always deeply believed in the vast and endless capacities of the Iranian nation for development and [achieving] greatness,' Ahmadinejad said in his message.

'I believe that all peaks of glory can be conquered by believing and trusting in the Iranian nation and by respecting different interests and tastes,' the Iranian president added.

Rohani's rivals including Tehran Mayor Mohammad-Baqer Qalibaf, former Foreign Minister Ali-Akbar Velayati, Secretary of the Expediency Council Mohsen Rezaei and Secretary of the Supreme National Security Council Saeed Jalili also congratulated Rohani on his victory.

Former presidential candidates including Mohammad-Reza Aref and Gholam-Ali Haddad-Adel, who withdrew their bids for presidency before June 14 election, also felicitated Rohani following his victory.

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Principlist candidate Mohammad-Baqer Qalibaf came in behind Rohani with 6,077,292 votes. Principlist Saeed Jalili won 4,168,946 votes, and independent Mohsen Rezaei 3,884,412 votes. Principlist Ali-Akbar Velayati and independent Mohammad Gharazi ranked at the bottom of the list, with 2,268,753 and 446,015 votes, respectively. A total of 1,245,409 ballots were declared invalid.

Nearly 50.5 million Iranians, including more than 1.6 million first-time voters, were eligible to participate in the June 14 elections. The Interior Ministry put voter turnout at 72.7 percent.

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Congratulations to the vast army of helpers who enabled the election results to be finalised so swiftly. Congratulations to Dr Mahmoud Ahmadinejad for sending a splendid and wise message to Iran's new President Hassan Rohani wherein he alludes to the inherent wisdom of the Iranian people, Congratulations

to all those who recall how in 1979 the Iranian people liberated themselves from foreign exploitative powers, and it is hoped the Reformists will continue to remember this starting point of the new independent Islamic Republic of Iran.

<http://presstv.com/detail/2013/06/15/309193/ahmadinejad-congratulates-rohani-victory/>

Outside of Israel the largest Jewish community resides in Iran.

Interview with Mark Dankof on the Iranian Presidential Elections

Mark Dankof is a former United States Senate candidate from the year 2000. Once a Republican, he left the Republican Party in 1996. Presently a broadcast and print journalist for ***The Ugly Truth*** and other alternative media outlets in the United States, he also appears on Iran's Press TV as a news analyst and commentator on selected stories and topics. His profile for the *Yearbook of Experts* in Washington, D. C. may be accessed at -

www.ExpertClick.com/19-2281

Tasnim: Mr. Dankof, do you have any predictions on the outcome of the June 14th vote in Iran?

Mark Dankof: I really don't. I am aware of the six individuals running in the election, including Mr Rohani, Mr Jalili, Mr. Rezaei, Mr Qalibaf, Mr Velayati, and Mr Gharazi. I have no inside information on the profiles of these six men, and rely exclusively on stories in Iranian English language media and international media for information as to their backgrounds and policy positions. One is impressed by the extensive professional, political, and personal histories of each.

Tasnim: What is your impression of what Western media outlets are reporting?

Mark Dankof: I take what Western Corporate Media says about the Iranian elections, or anything else about Iran, with a grain of salt, as my late Father used to say. The reporting reflects the usual Zionist agenda in attempting to place Iran in the worst possible light in American and European public opinion. It is important to understand that this is the deliberate and malicious targeting of a sovereign nation state for a

Tasnim News Agency, Iran
specific agenda being pursued by specific parties in an evil coalition. Once that is understood, everything else falls into place. It is obvious that your Ayatollah Khamenei's remarks of June 12th indicate he unmistakably sees this situation with the greatest clarity. The subversion of the Iranian electoral process by outside forces mirrors the recent attempts to delegitimize the elections in Venezuela after the death of President Chavez, and to demonize Vladimir Putin in Russia. For that matter, it mimics what the United States CIA and the British MI6 did in Iran in 1953 in destroying Mohammad Mossadegh, courtesy of Kermit Roosevelt's *Operation Ajax* program. Declassified CIA documents obtained from the George Washington University National Security Archives by Freedom of Information Act litigation prove it beyond a shadow of a doubt.

Tasnim: What do you see as the agenda? How does media reporting on the Iranian elections in the West attempt to implement it?

Mark Dankof: Time and space do not permit me to engage in an exhaustive analysis and discussion of what I believe to be happening. I will be as succinct as possible here and now. My extended presentation for your readers may well be at the end of August, when I am due to be in your country for the Habilian Association's seminar on the history and tragedy of the 17,000 Iranian victims of terrorism - <http://www.17000.ir/en>

In a nutshell, I believe the agenda behind the obvious attempt to

target and destabilize Iran involves World Zionism generally, the Netanyahu regime in Israel specifically, the designs of an International Central Banking cabal to force your country and banking system into acquiescence to the dictates of a financial system driven by a Jewish-driven ideology of extortionist usury and fiat money operating on a global basis, and of course the Multinational Corporations and Consortiums, who want to carve up Iran's natural resources. I will be covering the methodologies of these constituencies in greater detail in Iran in late August, but the methods employed are multi-faceted. **It is critical that we understand that Corporate Media in the West is owned, operated, and staffed by these constituencies.** It reports and interprets events accordingly, to manipulate these events to be spun in a way which fits the Master Manipulators at the top of the pyramid.

Tasnim: Are there any recent articles on the Iranian Presidential elections which you believe to be generated by this gameplan?

Mark Dankof: I will cite three such recent pieces out of a sea of them that have been produced ad infinitum in recent weeks.

The first has just been published by **Time Magazine**. It is entitled, "Iran: Reformers Create Buzz Days Before Presidential Election," by Aryn Baker - <http://world.time.com/2013/06/11/iran-election-reformers-gain->

[**momentum-in-final-days-of-campaign/**](#)

Notice that the article attempts to impugn the legitimacy of the election by casting aspersions upon your Supreme Leader and the so-called Guardian Council. The usual dichotomous categorization of candidates as either "reformers" or "hard-liners" reappears in this story. And then there is the usual line on Iranian youth, and their alleged desires for a more liberalized society where greater accommodation is reached with the sexual mores of the secularized West. Finally, the article suggests that "government mismanagement" is the reason for the present situation with the Iranian economy, hinting that the wholesale program of American and Western economic sanctions on Iran are of marginal significance in the present crisis. In that section of the article, we are told by a female 26 year old Iranian professional about her fears of a particular candidate in the race, Mr Jalili, whose election in her view would result in ". . .more sanctions, more suffering, less freedoms." It may not be an accident that Mr Jalili is also described earlier in the essay as ". . .Secretary of Iran's Supreme National Security Council and chief nuclear negotiator [Saeed Jalili], who is perceived to be Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei's preferred candidate."

One may be forgiven for suspecting that Mr. Jalili's direct involvement at the highest level of the conflict between Iran and the Zionist State over Iran's nuclear program and right to enrich uranium may have drawn him a less than favorable review in **Time Magazine** courtesy of the usual players and agenda. When I read this, I was reminded of what **Time, U. S. News and World Report**, and **Newsweek** did in 1996 in a single week to American Presidential candidate Pat Buchanan, the only anti-Zionist running in either party that year, and a known Catholic moral traditionalist hated by the Zionist lobby and its Anti-Defamation

League of B'nai Brith (ADL). Buchanan drew cover stories from all these of these Establishment news dailies after he won the New Hampshire Republican Primary. The photographs taken, the titles of the respective cover stories, and the contents of the articles were designed to demonize Buchanan and to suggest a sinister persona and evil motives on his part. After you've seen these sort of thing over a period of decades, it becomes easier to spot and easier to analyze. A version of that is what **Time** is now up to with both Mr Jalili, and a number of your other announced contenders as well. Two other articles of recent import are worth mentioning. The **Times of Israel** says that there was a recent poll taken in Iran by the **Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life**, which also polled Americans after the 2012 Presidential elections here <http://theuglytruth.wordpress.com/2013/06/12/days-before-vote-huge-majority-of-iranians-favor-sharia-law/>. According to the results of the **Pew Forum**, the vast majority of Iranians support the concept of *sharia* law, which is not defined by Pew, nor fairly explained to the American public except through the lenses of Zionist media and Zionist-affiliated Non-Governmental Organizations and think tanks. The other article is authored by **Dr. Afshin Shahi** for **Foreign Policy** magazine and is entitled, "**Erotic Republic**." It purports to show that Iran is in the middle of a "**sexual revolution**" one which "**could eventually shake the [Islamic Republic of Iran] regime**" -

http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2013/05/29/erotic_republic_iran_sexual_revolution%20.

What does all of this tell us? It is clear. Zionist interests which control International Banking, Corporate News Media, and Western elections, have already been successful in the West in subverting the older Christian-based societies of Europe and the

United States with sexualization, sex perversion, promiscuity, birth control, and abortion-on-demand.

Sigmund Freud and the Frankfurt School of Social Research are areas to be researched and understood by Iranian scholars to **understand how the destruction of the older Western societies via moral subversion and targeted sexual infiltration are now being used by the same players with the same agenda, to target and subvert Islamic societies generally, and Iran specifically.**

I would commend to your readers the work of Dr. Kevin MacDonald, Dr. E. Michael Jones of **Culture Wars** who visited your country in February for a film festival, Dr. Robert Sungenis of *Catholic Apologetics International*, David Wemhoff and Jayne Gardiner on the Jewish role in the abortion industry in the United States and the West, and Dr. Lasha Darkmoon.

<http://www.theoccidentalobserver.net/2013/01/the-sexual-subversion-of-america-part-1-of-2/>

<http://www.darkmoon.me/2013/satants-secret-agents-the-frankfurt-school-and-their-evil-agenda/>

http://abundanthope.net/pages/Political_Information_43/Masters-of-Porn-The-Systematic-Promotion-of-Sexual-Deviance.shtml

<http://www.sailanmuslim.com/news/abortion-the-kosher-slaughter-by-jayne-gardener/>

<http://culturewars.com/2013/Darkmoon.htm>

Tasnim: What about Presidential elections in the United States in terms of what your media describes as "**democracy**?"

Mark Dankof: The term "**democracy**" means one person-one vote in the legitimate definition of the term. In reality, in the United States, "**democracy**" is actually an exercise in the control of the electoral process by an unelected elite—which controls Central Banking, the News Media, and bankrolls elections in America and throughout the Western World. One need look no farther than the power of the Israeli Lobby in both

the Democratic and Republican parties, the funneling of Jewish money to both Barack Obama and Mitt Romney in the 2012 American Presidential election, the corrupt corporate funding of American elections courtesy of the **Citizens United v the Federal Election Commission** decision by the Supreme Court of the United States, and the documentation of how Israeli Lobby money owns the Congress and Senate of the United States courtesy of Janet McMahon in the May 2013 **Washington Report on Middle East Affairs**, to figure it all out. **And these same**

sponsors of "democracy" in America are the same crowd trying to control electoral outcomes in countries all over the world—especially in Iran.

Tasnim: Any final thoughts from Mark Dankof today?

Mark Dankof: The fate of Iran in these elections, and its success in resisting the Zionist-sponsored assault on its economy, its territorial sovereignty, its culture, and its institutions, is not simply about the fight Iranians face to preserve their country and their right to make their own decisions about their own future. Iran is

fighting for those of us in the West who are an embattled minority, whose family, cultural, political, and economic fortunes have been decimated by the rise of Jewish and Zionist power on every front. In the United States, this has been especially true since 1913, with the creation of the Federal Reserve Board and the imposition of a direct Federal income tax on Americans for the first time in the history of the country. Every disaster of the last 100 years has followed these pivotal, game-changing events.

Iran court summons Ahmadinejad, ups pressure on outgoing leader

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Reuters - Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad was summoned on Monday to appear before a criminal court on unspecified charges leveled by a conservative rival, days after moderate cleric Hassan Rohani was elected his successor.

While Rohani's election on Friday showed a desire for change, it also highlighted divisions among Iran's establishment conservatives who, though united in their dislike of Ahmadinejad, were unable to rally behind a single candidate.

The summons was issued by a Tehran court and follows a complaint by Parliament Speaker Ali Larijani. It did not elaborate on the complaint, saying only that Ahmadinejad would face the unnamed charges in November. Ahmadinejad, who will leave office in August after Rohani's inauguration, was not immediately available for comment.

Larijani has used his position in parliament to lead a conservative campaign to undermine and block Ahmadinejad.



Iran's President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad gestures during a news conference in New York, September 24, 2010. Credit: Reuters/Lucas Jackson

The court summons could be a taste of things to come for the outgoing leader who, after receiving the backing of Ayatollah Ali Khamenei to suppress protests against his re-election in 2009, later fell foul of the supreme leader for challenging his ultimate authority. In February, Ahmadinejad tried to strike back and, addressing parliament, played a recorded conversation of Larijani's brother he said implicated the family in corruption.

The stunt backfired as the tape was not fully audible and Larijani

dismissed the president from the chamber.

Ahmadinejad has hinted he has incriminating material on a number of prominent figures and has threatened to reveal it should his personal position or safety come under threat.

Rohani won some 51 percent of the vote in the election promising to increase civil rights and bring a measure of pragmatism to Iran's negotiations with world powers over a nuclear program the West says is a cover for making a bomb.

None of the five hardline and conservative candidates ranged against Rohani got more than 17 percent of the vote and Ahmadinejad's protege failed even to pass the state vetting process and make it onto the ballot.

Iran's [economy](#) is suffering from the effects of increasingly tight international sanctions due to the nuclear program which it says is peaceful.

(Reporting by Zahra Hosseini; Writing by Jon Hemming; editing by Elizabeth Piper)

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/06/17/us-iran-politics-idUSBRE95G0CI20130617>

North Korean dictator recommends Hitler book to senior officials

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North Korean dictator Kim Jong-un reportedly presented senior officials of his regime with copies of Adolf Hitler's anti-Semitic 'Mein Kampf' and recommended it as a source of inspiration. Citing a Chinese source, the ['New Focus International'](#)

[website reports](#) that on Kim's birthday in January, officials ranked departmental director and above in the National Defense Committee were presented with a translated edition of Hitler's book, which is

officially banned in the reclusive Stalinist country.

During the rule of Kim Jong-un's father, Kim Jong-il, North Korean officials received holiday gifts of western liquor, tailoring fabric and other foreign luxury goods. Since

Kim Jong-un came to power, however, the leader's customary holiday gifts have been very different, including items such as imported sports equipment, CDs and foreign books in translation.



Kim Jong-un (right) with generals

"Kim Jong-un gave a lecture to high-ranking officials, stressing that we must pursue the policy of Byungjin (Korean for 'in tandem') in terms of nuclear and economic development. Mentioning that Hitler managed to rebuild Germany in a short time following its defeat in World War I, Kim Jong-un issued an

order for the Third Reich to be studied in depth and asked that practical applications be drawn from it," the source told 'New Focus' in an interview. He added that Kim Jong-un had highlighted sport as the secret behind Germany's unity and ideological successes. Kim also stressed the superiority of Hitler's thinking in childhood-related policies, and issued an order for propaganda departments to encourage a "Three Child" policy.

It is likely that the gift was meant to urge officials to think about how an isolated and weakened Germany had managed to build a powerful economy and military in the 1930s. Rumors have been spreading among the Pyongyang elite that Kim made a close study of Hitler while at school in Switzerland, according to a North Korean source, according to an unnamed business

representative and a frequent traveler between Pyongyang and China quoted by the online magazine which specializes on analysis of developments in North Korea.

It also reports that the director of North Korea's secret police made a speech at a gathering in which he referred to the Gestapo, the Nazis secret police: "We are equivalent to a police force. In other countries, people fear the police more than they fear the army. Stop focusing on ways to make money in the markets, and mold yourselves after the Gestapo. In the Kim Jong-un era, the Department of People's Security is the most powerful department – be proud," he was quoted as saying.

BY DECEPTION YE SHALL ...ye shall what?

WORSHIPFUL MASTER – We come from the EAST and we are going to the WEST and we are searching for that which we have lost – our foreskin!

**His Jewish heritage was a secret so deep even he was not party to it
The first 'Jewish' archbishop of Canterbury heads to Israel**

Justin Welby's grandfather fled from Germany; his father bootlegged alcohol, knew JFK and was engaged to Vanessa Redgrave; he worked in the oil industry before feeling a call to God after his daughter's death in a car crash

By [Miriam Shaviv](#) June 18, 2013, 6:28 pm



LONDON - The father of the new Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, kept many secrets. Gavin Welby never told his son that he had an estranged older sister, or a first wife. He never told him his real birthdate, or the name under which he was born. And, it has emerged, he never told him that he was born a Jew.

"He told lots of stories but one was never really sure what was true and what wasn't," Archbishop Justin told [The Daily Telegraph](#), which broke the news to him just days after he was appointed head of the Church of England in November 2012. "He drank quite heavily and, you know, he would say things sometimes when he had been drinking and you did not know what was true or not. "He wouldn't talk about his family at all," he said.

Naturally, the bombshell that the leader of 80 million Anglicans worldwide is a half-Jew has captured the imagination of Britain's Jewish community. The Anglican Church, by contrast, has so far reacted apathetically, perhaps inured by previous examples of Jewish-Christian clerics such as Giles Fraser, until 2011 Canon Chancellor of St Paul's Cathedral, who had a Jewish father; and Hugh Montefiore, a well-known bishop in the 1970s and '80s, who converted from Judaism in his teens.

But beyond the gossip element lie serious questions. Will Archbishop Justin be able to improve Jewish-Anglican relations, which have gone through a rocky patch over the last few months? And how will the revelations about his heritage affect his attitudes and worldviews?

With little track record to go on, observers are reluctant jump to any conclusions: "It's very early days," says Rev. David Gifford, CEO of the Council of Christians and Jews, noting that Welby was only installed in March.

Archbishop Welby, whose decade-long rise in the church is considered meteoric, has had limited experience working with Jewish groups, but activists speak positively of his relations with Jews in his former parishes and in the interfaith world.

They point to two hopeful early signs. The first is that the archbishop has chosen to visit Israel next week, which is

considered very early in his tenure (he will also be visiting Egypt, the Palestinian territories and, briefly, Jordan). A visit to Yad Vashem may be particularly poignant as he recently discovered that he has relatives who perished in the Shoah. He will also engage with as-yet-unnamed "communities and leaders" and pay his respects to the patriarchs of the Jerusalem churches, in particular Jerusalem's Anglican bishop, Suheil Dawani.



The Prince of Wales speaks with the Archbishop of Canterbury, The Most Reverend Justin Welby following his Enthronement at Canterbury Cathedral. (photo credit: AP Photo/Chris Ison, Pool) [- both men are circumcised - ed. AJ]

The other is that, completely regardless of his Jewish background, he appears to have long had an affinity for, and interest in, Jewish issues and in Israel.

According to the philo-Semitic Canon Andrew White, "Israel has no fear with him, nor does the Jewish community. He's a friend, not an enemy."

In 2002, as the director of the International Centre for Reconciliation at Coventry Cathedral in England, Canon White asked Welby to join him on a trip to Israel to talk to other faith leaders about the peace process. Welby was then "just a normal vicar," albeit "the best vicar I'd ever seen," says White, who is nowadays [famous as "the vicar of Baghdad" for his work in Iraq](#).

The hunch paid off.

"It was very obvious immediately that here in this man was someone who totally understood the need for reconciliation and what we were working for – trying to bring Israelis and Palestinians together," White says. "So many in the church are so anti-Israel. He was really positive, and understood the history and negativity between Christians and Jews over the years. The biggest thing in my life is how to relate to Jewish people. He took that and understood it immediately, and that is when I decided I wanted this person to work with me."

Within a year, Welby had become co-director at the International Centre for Reconciliation, and was also promoted to a position at Coventry Cathedral.

"It was his first senior appointment," says Canon White. "It all started in Israel."

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At that time, Welby's Jewish heritage was a secret he was apparently not party to.

Laura Sykes, editor of the [Lay Anglicana blog](#), started researching Welby's family history when his name was first raised as a serious candidate for Archbishop of Canterbury last summer. According to her, Welby's Jewish grandfather, Bernard Weiler, came to England from Germany in 1886, possibly to escape anti-Semitism. Together with three of his brothers, he set up a successful company trading in ostrich feathers, which were then a fashion item, and considered a particularly Jewish business.

In 1909, Bernard married London-born Edith James. On an overseas trip he described them both as "Hebrews" on the ship register, and Tim Welby, Archbishop Justin's son, says she was Jewish. Sykes says that she has not managed to find their marriage certificate and that it is unlikely. (If she were a gentile, this would make the Archbishop a quarter- rather than half-Jewish.)

The couple settled down in the tony London neighbourhood of Hampstead with two children, Peggy and Gavin, changing their Germanic-sounding surname to Welby a month after Britain declared war on Germany in 1914.

But at some point – either in 1914, when the value of feathers plummeted, or in 1929, in the stock market crash – they lost all their money.

In 1929, aged just 19, Gavin was sent to America to restore the family fortunes, which he promptly did, first by bootlegging alcohol with the Italian mafia during prohibition, and later by working as an import manager at a large alcohol company. But, with dark good looks and an English accent, he also took the opportunity to re-invent himself, entering into a short-lived marriage with a New Jersey heiress

and becoming a fixture in Manhattan high society.

'He is thinking about it - he is a thoughtful man - but it would be hard enough for anyone to grapple with; as Archbishop of Canterbury he has no freedom to explore this' He introduced John F. Kennedy to one of his mistresses just weeks before he married Jacqueline Bouvier, while Gavin's own romantic conquests over the years included JFK's younger sister Patricia, socialite Doris Duke — known as "the world's richest girl" — and, later in life, actress Vanessa Redgrave, to whom he was briefly engaged. [What an achievement! — ed - AI]

After World War II, in which he served in the British army in a non-combat role, he returned to Manhattan, giving himself a promotion to captain. He also seems to have invented a British aristocratic background.

Eventually he settled back in London, standing for Parliament but losing heavily, and marrying the non-Jewish Jane Portal, a former personal secretary to Winston Churchill, against the wishes of her parents. They divorced when Justin was three and the future Archbishop of Canterbury reportedly continued to live with his father, attending Britain's top private school, Eton, and the University of Cambridge.



Justin Welby, right, poses for photographers with his wife Caroline following the announcement he will become the next archbishop of Canterbury, Nov. 9, 2012. (photo credit: AP Photo/Matt Dunham)

Throughout his life, says Sykes, Gavin "went to great lengths to obscure everything about himself." He talked little of his time in America and when he died in 1977, Justin Welby — then a 21-year-old student — could not even provide the correct birth name and birth date on his death certificate, apparently unaware that he had been born a Weiler, that he had a sibling or had been married before.

In interviews he has expressed anxiety over whether his father may have had other children he never disclosed.

The revelation that his father was born Jewish, therefore, was just one of many family surprises. According to Tim Welby, who now works for Canon White, the Archbishop was "interested," but "it did not have a great deal of impact". Another source familiar with the Archbishop's thinking, who would only speak off the record, said that "he is thinking about it - he is a thoughtful man - but it would be hard enough for anyone to grapple with; as Archbishop of Canterbury he has no freedom to explore this."

Nevertheless, he has expressed interest in visiting the grave of his great-grandmother Amalie — Bernard's mother — in a Jewish cemetery in London, as well as meeting "new" cousins on his father's side. One, who recently wrote to him, is a rabbi, "one of the senior teachers at a Jewish college in London," he told [The Jewish News](#).

Welby himself "found religion" relatively late in life. After graduating from Cambridge, he spent 11 years working as an executive in the oil industry, but retired in 1989 when he felt a calling from God to be ordained. This was six years after the death of his first-born daughter, Johanna, in a car crash in France — a tragedy which, he has said, "in a strange way... actually brought us closer to God" — and several years after he joined the Church of Holy Trinity in Brompton, London, a highly influential evangelical institution.



Rowan Williams, the former Archbishop of Canterbury (photo credit: CC BY-SA Kimse/Wikimedia Commons)

This affiliation as a conservative evangelical — much rarer in the UK than in America — helps explain why Archbishop Welby has always been perceived as "genuinely sensitive to Jews and Judaism. He sees them as

integral to Christian formation," says Ed Kessler, executive director of the Woolf Institute, Cambridge, and a leading expert in interfaith relations. "He is also open to Israel as a Jewish state. The concept of Zionism isn't alien to him."

His appointment as Archbishop of Canterbury, less than a year after he was first appointed a bishop, comes after a difficult period for the two faith groups. Welby's predecessor, Rowan Williams, was knowledgeable about Judaism and keen on interfaith work — setting up a forum for dialogue with the Israeli chief rabbinate and forming a good relationship with British Chief Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks — but was perceived by the Jewish community as unsympathetic on Israel, reflecting a much more left-wing, liberal political and theological disposition. In 2006, he supported disinvestment from the Jewish state, provoking open criticism from Lord Sacks.

Last summer, the Church's highest legislative body, the Synod, endorsed the Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI), which brings international church members to the West Bank to "experience life under occupation," to the open disgust of the British-Jewish leadership. Although Welby abstained at the time, he has since said he should have voted against, as the motion did not "adequately [reflect] the complexity" of the situation and the vote "clearly" damaged Jewish-Anglican relations — statements that were welcomed by the Jewish community.

In October 2012, the Board of Deputies of British Jews, the community's representative organization, formally complained to the Church about the anti-Israel material posted online by one of its clergymen, Stephen Sizer. The parties are currently appointing mediators.

'Welby's Jewish background is not going to be his calling card when he meets with the Palestinian archbishops'

For all his influence, Archbishop Welby cannot control the votes of the Synod, nor is it clear where he stands on specific Israeli political issues, or how much of a priority Israel is going to be for him. Some say that his Jewish background could even be a disadvantage.

"It is not going to be his calling card when his meets with the Palestinian archbishops," said one Jewish community leader wryly.

But if anyone can navigate these choppy political waters, it is Archbishop Welby. While Archbishop Williams was a sophisticated thinker who had difficulty communicating and connecting to the masses, Welby is a calm, practical peacemaker, who honed his skills as a facilitator and negotiator during his years in the corporate world.

Since his time in Coventry he has made it his mission to bring opposite parties together, taking to wearing the Cross of Nails, a symbol of Coventry Cathedral's ministry of reconciliation.

During several years working in Africa for the Centre for

Reconciliation (while Canon White concentrated on the Middle East), he negotiated with al-Qaeda terrorists and mediated between warring Christian and Muslim communities in Nigeria. On one of occasion, notes Sykes, he was kidnapped, but talked his own way out of the predicament.

"He reconciled himself," she laughs. His greatest task as Archbishop of Canterbury will be to avert schism within the Church over the consecration of women bishops (which he is for) and gay marriage (which he is against)

When it comes to relations with the Jewish community and potential disagreements over the Middle East, says Rev Gifford, "he will want to see those strains released. He

will find areas of commonality and be a good listener.

"He realizes that the issue of Israel-Palestine is very difficult between Christians and Jews and will see how we can still talk despite what's going on. He has the empathy to listen to every side, and listens to people of faith - that's where he will connect to them, as people of faith."

And if he doesn't succeed, the father-of-five can always retire to Israel - where, as a descendent of a Jewish father and grandfather, he is entitled to citizenship under the Law of Return. For an Archbishop of Canterbury, this is surely a first.

<http://www.timesofisrael.com/the-first-jewish-archbishop-of-canterbury-heads-to-israel/>

Frederick Töben: In Matters Holocaust and related matters...

Instead of having an open question-and-answer session, a debate, on matters 'Holocaust-Shoah' individuals, who protect the 'Holocaust-Shoah' narrative, have resorted to legal persecution of Revisionist Historians. Why? They are protecting a multi-billion dollar industry and the Zionist state of Israel's number one propaganda weapon, without which Palestinian ethnic cleansing would not be an on-going tragedy.

Think of those who refuse blindly to believe in 'Global Warming-Climate Change'. Think of those who refuse to believe in windfarm-induced illnesses.

The following program transcript is from Australia's public broadcaster, Radio National's **Background Briefing**, wherein the pattern of 'battle-of-the-wills' follows that of those who finally succeeded in enshrining and legally protecting in various so-called western democracies, the 'Holocaust-Shoah' narrative. Anyone who now doubts, let alone questions its narrative and asks for physical proof of the alleged murder weapon - the homicidal gas chambers - will be deemed to be an offensive person, someone not to be debated with but to be howled down and labelled: 'HATER', 'HOLOCAUST DENIER',

'ANTISEMITE', 'RACIST', 'NAZI', 'XENOPHOBE', etc. The main justification for this legal protection is that those who believe in the 'Holocaust-Shoah' narrative would be devastated and experience 'hurt feelings', if they found out they have been lied to for over seventy years. Also, Germans would become angry at having unjustifiably billions of dollars in reparations to international Jewry's organisations for murdering six million Jews.

'THE HUNT FOR BRITAIN'S SEX GANGS' (True Vision) Monday 3 June 2013

KERRY O'BRIEN, PRESENTER: They were criminals, preying on young girls.

SARAH, VICTIM: I didn't know what was going on in my head. I felt like my mind had like shattered like a glass.

KERRY O'BRIEN: It took a painfully long police operation to catch them.

ALAN EDWARDS, DETECTIVE: The facilitators were actually young Pakistani men. And the difficulty is, how do you deal with that? And how do you deal with it without being accused of being racist in some way?

KERRY O'BRIEN: The urban predators who hunted in broad daylight. Welcome to Four Corners. This is a story that was more than 10 years in the making about gangs of young men successfully

grooming under aged girls as young as 11, to have sex, to gang rape, and then to trade for money. The scale was breathtaking. By the time their activities reached the court system, there were more than 100 victims, and 200 suspected perpetrators. The saga unfolded on the streets of Bradford in northern England, eventually spreading to other parts of the country. And while social workers and a handful of journalists suspected what was going on, police and politicians were slow to act for fear of being labelled racist, or sparking a race war. The offenders were predominantly of South Asian heritage. The victims predominantly white.

A documentary maker named Anna Hall began gathering material to tell this story in 2002. But it wasn't until eight years later that police in the west midland city of Telford, allowed her and reporter Tazeen Ahmad inside their investigation, called 'Operation Chalice'. The end result is a horrific story of sexual abuse and ongoing exploitation. But also of the obstacles police faced in obtaining convictions and the gruelling ordeal for young victims who were brave enough to give evidence. Here is 'The Hunt for Britain's Sex Gangs'.

(Program plays: "**The Hunt for Britain's Sex Gangs**," True Vision; Producer and Director: Anna Hall; Reporter: Tazeen Ahmad)

KERRY O'BRIEN: One hopefully positive outcome from this painfully

slow investigation is that the UK Director of Public Prosecutions is now talking with the judiciary about introducing pre-recorded cross examination sessions. This could spare the ordeal of young victims being cross examined in open court. That's the program for this week. Until next Monday, goodnight.

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Four Corners Open Letters - New Message - by Fredrick Töben

What a splendid example of British Common Law proving a case with exacting forensic evidence.

How sad that so-called global terrorist attacks: 9-11, 7-7 London, Bali bombing, Boston Marathon bombing, etc - even the Port

Arthur Massacre - were not so thoroughly investigated.

I wonder why not!

<http://www.abc.net.au/4corners/stories/2013/06/03/3771075.htm>
<http://www2b.abc.net.au/tmb/Client/Message.aspx?b=37&t=1&ps=50&dm=1&pd=2&am=17972#m17972>

Mindener Tageblatt

UNABHÄNGIGE, ÜBERPARTEILICHE ZEITUNG



81-Jährige aus Vlotho im Prozess um Volksverhetzung freigesprochen Beweislage zu dünn

VON MICHAELA PODSCHUN

Vlotho/Bad Oeynhausen (mt). Freispruch für die 81-jährige Vlothoerin: Dem Amtsgericht in Bad Oeynhausen war die Beweislage zu dünn. Den Tatbestand, Schriften verbreitet zu haben, die den Holocaust verharmlosen, sah die Richterin in der gestrigen Verhandlung als nicht erfüllt an.



Mehrere Monate dauerte der Prozess wegen Volksverhetzung vor dem Amtsgericht in Bad Oeynhausen. | Foto: P. Steinert/NW

Damit folgte sie der Meinung des Rechtsanwaltes. Der Staatsanwalt hatte hingegen eine "empfindliche Geldstrafe" in Höhe von 80 Tagessätzen zu 30 Euro wegen Volksverhetzung gefordert.

Der Prozess hatte im Dezember 2012 begonnen und sich wegen Zeugenvernehmungen und Beweisaufnahme verzögert. Die 81-jährige Vlothoerin betreibt einen Verlag in Vlotho, der auch die Zeitschrift "Historische Tatsachen" verbreitet.

Von Vlotho aus, so lautete der Vorwurf, soll das Heft Nummer 101 mit volksverhetzendem Inhalt im Jahr

2009 an einen Wittener verschickt worden sein. Dieser brachte die Sendung zur Polizei, der Prozess kam ins Rollen.

"Der Vlothoer Verlag verbreitet über 100 verschiedene Zeitschriften. Die Angeklagte hat nicht die Zeit, alle Schriften auf ihren Inhalt hin zu prüfen", sagte der Rechtsanwalt in seinem Schlusspläoyer. Und: Das Impressum stelle lediglich die Bezugsquellen dar. Der Vorwurf, die Schriften vorrätig zu halten und auch zu verbreiten sei haltlos. Der Anwalt erklärte weiter, dass der Wittener vor Gericht nicht vernommen worden sei. Auch seien die Aussagen der Polizeibeamten, die den Verlag unter die Lupe genommen hatten, nicht aussagekräftig genug.

Staatsanwalt sieht Verbreitungsabsicht

Das sah der Staatsanwalt komplett anders. "Der Name der Angeklagten steht auf Rechnungen und auf dem Konto. Der Verlag verbreitet Schriften in die gesamte Bundesrepublik. 40 Exemplare mit volksverhetzendem Inhalt wurden 2011 sichergestellt." Entsprechende Umschläge und Packpapier seien im Verlag gefunden worden. Dies beweise, dass rechtsradikale Zeitschriften für die Verbreitung vorrätig gehalten waren.

Massenmorde würden verharmlost

Die versandten Beiträge seien volksverhetzend, die Massenmorde in den Vernichtungslagern Belzec und Treblinka würden verharmlost. "Der Holocaust wird eindeutig als Legende abgetan. Die Angeklagte hätte diesen Inhalt prüfen müssen. Von diesen Schriften geht eine Gefahr aus", ereiferte sich der Staatsanwalt.

Die Richterin ließ sich auf diese Argumentation nicht ein. Für den Tatbestand der Verbreitung benötige man laut Rechtslage mindestens drei Personen. Nur ein Zeuge habe sich aber gemeldet. Zudem habe die Polizei zwar die besagten Hefte der "Historischen Tatsachen" Nummer 101 gefunden, es fehlte dem Gericht allerdings die Verbreitungsabsicht. "Auch die Polizisten hätten dazu keine genauen Aussagen machen können", so die Richterin. Für den Vorwurf, die Zeitschriften vorrätig gehalten zu haben, gebe es ihrer Meinung nach auch nicht genügend Nachweise.

Die Angeklagte war gestern nicht im Gerichtssaal anwesend. Die Vlothoerin ist die Ehefrau eines mehrfach vorbestraften Holocaust-Leugners. Prozessbeobachter hatten sich bereits in der vergangenen Woche kritisch geäußert und auf eine Verurteilung gehofft. "Ich gehe von einer Geldstrafe aus", so ein Besucher. Mit einem Freispruch rechnete er nicht.

Fredrick Töben comments on the article:

And so 81-year-old Margaret Walendy, wife of Udo Walendy, escaped a heavy fine and/or imprisonment because evidence did not prove she intended to distribute a copy of *Historische Tatsachen* by sending it to a pensioner, who promptly took the publication to the police because for him it proved that a thought-crime had been committed!

That's how keen some Germans are in trying to be law-abiding citizens. The judge found for the accused and stated that there was not enough evidence for the publisher to go through some 100 publications that she distributes, and so the incitement to racial hatred, and the usual criminal activity that goes with it, was dismissed. The fact that Mrs Walendy's husband has several convictions for denying the Holocaust did not enter into the matter before the court.

As the newspaper invited comment I submitted the following in German, and I was the first to comment, which shows there is advantage in living in Australia because the nightshift editorial at the paper let my comment through:

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Isn't it interesting that slowly the legal situation in Germany is changing in regards the questioning of historical facts without the thought police checking up on you.

What does it mean to >trivialise< when facts are not permitted to be tested for truth content?

A dissemination of historical truth should never be punishable, and we should celebrate our freedom of expression – or?

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Es ist doch interessant, dass so langsam diese gesetzliche Lage sich in Deutschland ändert wo historische Tatsachen frei durchdrückt werden können ohne von der Gedankenpolizei überprüft zu werden. Was heist >Verharmlosung< wenn man nicht Tatsachen wegen ihren Wahrheitsgehalt überprüfen darf?

Die Verbreitung der historischen Wahrheit sollte doch niemals bestraft werden, und wir sollten doch unsere Gedankenfreiheit feiern - oder?

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As Art Butz predicted and Yvonne hoped it would last. the comment was removed but abusive comments against me began to flood, for example:

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Eishai schrieb am 15.06.2013 05:13 Uhr

Warum ging es im Prozess Dr. Töben?

Als Holocaustleugnung bezeichnet man das Bestreiten oder weitgehende Verharmlosen des Holocausts. Dabei wird gegen gesichertes historisches Tatsachenwissen behauptet, der geplante, systematische, auf Ausrottung zielende Völkermord an etwa sechs Millionen europäischen Juden habe nicht stattgefunden oder er sei nur ein Massenmord oder Massensterben ohne historische Besonderheiten gewesen. Dies betrifft auch den Genozid an den Sinti und Roma, den Porajmos, den Holocaustleugner meist nicht ausdrücklich erwähnen.

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Die Holocaustforschung lehnt eine Debatte über die Behauptungen der Holocaustleugner ab, um diese nicht als Forschungsbeiträge zu legitimieren.

Öffentliche Holocaustleugnung findet in vielen Staaten statt. In einigen Staaten fällt sie unter die Meinungsfreiheit und wird von Regierungen gedeckt, teilweise sogar gefördert. In anderen, darunter allen deutschsprachigen, ist sie ein eigener Straftatbestand. In weiteren Staaten ist sie unter bestimmten Umständen als Rassenhass, Verleumdung oder "falsche Nachricht" strafbar (siehe Gesetze gegen Holocaustleugnung). Quelle Internet

DrTöben schrieb am 16.06.2013 14:41 Uhr

Es ist doch schade wie bermbecks - 15.06.2013 21:43 Uhr-Argumentation in Beleidigung anfängt und endet. Als Lehrer hätte ich solch einen Pflegel viel Arbeit gegeben, besonders mit viel moralischen/ethischen Inhalt damit ein gewisser Wachstum in diesem Bereich stattfinden würde. Am besten faengt man mit Goethe und Schiller an, dann mit Kant und Hegel damit das Gedankengut der deutschen Denker und Dichter einmal wieder hervorgehoben wird.

Es zeigt keine geistige Reife sich schriftlich so zu benehmen, aber was kann man schon erwarten von einer Person die kein Vertrauen zu sich selbst hat, und die sich dann durch Suendenbockdenken hervorhebt - aber nie es wagt sich den wichtigen Gedanken anzueignen und das Lied zu singen: Die Gedanken sind frei! Traurig und tragisch.

Eishai schrieb am 16.06.2013 16:08 Uhr

Lieber Töben, leiden Sie an Leseschwäche?

Verharmlosen Sie den Holocaust?

Bestreiten Sie historisches Tatsachenwissen?

Hier den Doktor oder Lehrer vor sich herzutragen, ist a bissel einfältig- bin auch Bankdirektor, blond , 1,82 cm gross , fahre älteren Porsche etc.

Was soll dieser Blödsinn - scheint echt nicht ganz unwahrscheinlich zu sein, dass Sie Minderwertigkeitskomplexe haben, wie B bei Neonazis vermutet.

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Eishai schrieb am 16.06.2013 23:22 Uhr

Zum Holocaust :

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Quelle Internet

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Telekomiker schrieb am 16.06.2013 16:15 Uhr

@ Dr Nazi Töben

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Telekomiker schrieb am 16.06.2013 16:18 Uhr

was ich mich aber die ganze Zeit schon frage: WIE kommt eine australische rechte Zecke auf das Mindener Tageblatt ??

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I responded with the following to both of these fellows – and I can tell from the language they are both males! –

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Ihr Kommentar wird in Kürze veröffentlicht.

Ihr Kommentar:

Eigentlich wollte ich nicht mehr hier weiter mitmachen weil mein erster Kommentar gelöscht wurde, aber die Erwiderung darauf von Eishai, 15.06.2013 05:13 Uhr, stand so alleine. Auf Englisch würde ich sagen: Bully-boys need to be taught a lesson! Nun sehe ich wie Eishai nicht alleine ist in seinen Beschimpfungen, Telekomiker ist auch ein Trittbrettfreiter der mit solchen infantilen Reaktionen arbeitet, und dann ist er noch faktisch total falsch! >>16:15 Uhr - @ Dr Nazi Töben - ein mehrfach verurteilter Straftäter und erwisener Rassist wie Sie sollte obwohl brav alles abgesessen den Ball ziemlich flach halten. Ihre geschichtliche Inkompotenz ist oft genug gerichtlich bestätigt worden > 16.06.2013 16:18 Uhr - WIE kommt eine australische rechte Zecke auf das Mindener Tageblatt ??

I waited for my full comment to be published but it never happened. Here is my full comment, continuing from the above:

Was kann man zu diesen geistigen Zustand erwideren? Solch ein fiebriges Gehirn muss sich faktisch abkühlen – also, ich antworte.

Ich bin kein Nazi, und diese 12 jährige deutsche Zeit ist vorbei, aber ein durchdenken dieser geschichtlichen Periode ist für alle Deutsche, oder die noch Deutsche sein wollen, sehr wichtig. Zur Zeit in Deutschland ist diese Periode akademisch im Stillstand weil irgendeine Abweichung von der jetzigen dogmatischen Geschichtsschreibung unter Strafe steht. Das fing im Ernst an als Richter Dr Wilhelm Stäglichs Doktorgrad in 1983 von der Universität Göttingen aberkannt wurde weil er das Buch schrieb: *Der Auschwitz Mythos*, und die Folge? Es war die Zeit vor dem Paragraphen 130! Die meisten deutschen Akademiker liessen sich zum schweigen einschüchtern, was natürlichverständlich ist, insbesondere von denen die im Familienzustand sind. In den 1970-iger Jahren als Studentenvertreter der Fachschaft Philosophie habe Ich es persönlich an der Universität Stuttgart gesehen wie ein Akademiker in der Fakultätssitzung mit den Nazibegriff seine Kollegen angriff.

Diese Rechts-Links Orientierung ist auch vorbei weil wir dadurch für unsere globalen Probleme keine guten Lösungen finden.

Ich bin in Deutschland noch nicht verurteilt, und Sie dürfen Mannheimer Richter, Herrn Dr Meinerzhagen, persönlich anrufen und ihnen fragen wie es mit dem Töben Fall liegt. Auch die Rassistenbeschuldigung ist ein Mittel zum Streitgespräch und hilft nicht Probleme/Sachen zu lösen/klären.

Zum Schluss, in meinem Fall hatte jedes gerichtliche Urteil nichts zu tun mit meiner geschichtlichen Kompetenz, davor hat ja der eingeschüchterte Historiker angst weil die Revisionisten mit historische Fakten arbeiten.

Meine Verurteilung, die einzige, ist wegen contempt of court – Missachtung des Gerichts erfolgt.

Also, die Verleumdungen von Eishai und Telekomiker sind bewiesen und ich sollte doch bald nach Deutschland kommen und Ihnen den Prozess machen – oder? Leider bin ich Anhänger des Prinzips: Freedom of Expression – die Gedanken sind frei, und eine Gerichtsaktion würde nichts über unseren verschiedenen geschichtlichen Auffassungen klären. Anschliessend darf ich mich wegen meiner Deutschrechtschreibungsmängel entschuldigen.

But the editor deliberated on my response and then closed down the whole discussion thus:

Anmerkung der Redaktion:

Wegen des inzwischen erreichten "Niveaus" der Diskussion haben wir die Kommentarfunktion zu diesem Artikel abgeschaltet.

Of course both writers had made the usual accusations against me, and I pointed out, with reference to Mannheim Judge Dr Meinerzhagen's decision to stay proceedings against me, that I still have not yet been convicted in Germany, and the only conviction I have is for contempt-of-court, and all this has nothing to do with so-called Holocaust denial, historical incompetence, racism, etc. as stated by the writers in their letters.

Still, the editorial response top terminate the discussion is indicative of the fear that is inherent within the media because an open disuccion is simply not possible when it is about German history and in particular about the so-called Holocaust-Shoah – but we know that, don't we?

http://www.mtonline.de/lokales/regionales/8670880_81Jaehrige_aus_Vlotho_im_Prozess_um_Volksverhetzung_freigesprochen.html

Spreekttekst Geert Wilders, Los Angeles, June 9, 2013

The Resurgence of National Pride and the Future of Europe

Dear friends, thank you for inviting me to Los Angeles. I always like coming to the United States. There are many things that I admire Americans for. One of them is that they are unashamedly patriotic.

The American Freedom Association has asked me to speak to you about the future of Europe.

Europe is in a terrible state. Bit by bit, European countries are losing their national sovereignty. The economy is in shambles. Islamic immigrants riot and terrorize the many locals. And when people's throats are slit in the streets, while the murderers shout "Allahu Akbar," the authorities appease the killers and declare that Islam has nothing to do with it.

Europeans feel that the gap between them en those who rule them is growing. Many no longer feel represented by their politicians. There is a complete disconnect between the people that truly rule Europe and the people that live in it.

The blame lies to a large extent with the European Union and the weak leadership within the European countries which have signed away their national sovereignty. The EU cannot be compared to the United States. Europe is a continent of many different nations with their own identities, traditions and languages. The EU is a supranational organization, but its leaders aim to turn it into a state. To this end they are destroying the wealth, identity and freedoms of the existing nation-states of Europe.

Before I elaborate, let us take a closer look at the terrible mistake that Europe made.

Following the Second World War, Europe's leaders mistakenly thought that patriotism was the cause of the war.

All over Europe, not just in Germany, but everywhere, they equated the defense of national identity with extremism.

Politicians told the electorate that the nation state was dangerous.

On the rooftops of Europe's parliaments and official buildings, they flew the EU flag next to the national flag, as if the nation is nothing but a province of a Pan-European empire.

On the number plates of European cars, they put the EU flag instead of the national flag, thereby forcing people to drive around with the symbol of their subjection.

They signed away their national interests for the goal of so-called Europeanization.

Such policies could never have been possible if the ruling elite had not fallen for the ideology of cultural and moral relativism. Patriotism, which is a virtue, came to be seen as a vice.

Today, the citizens of Europe are reaping the bitter harvest of this arrogance, this refusal to stand by the ancient nations of Europe, the mothers of modern democracy, the guardians of our liberty.

The EU stands for everything that is wrong in Europe.

It is a gigantic undemocratic transnational monster.

It issues legislation permeated with cultural relativism.

It meddles in the everyday lives of millions of people.

It has opened Europe's borders to uncontrolled mass immigration, mostly from Islamic countries.

And it has deprived Europe's parliaments of a huge amount of their legislative powers.

The European Union has brought one-size-fits-none policies that have resulted in economic disaster. It has led to growing tensions between the nations of Europe. It has led to the loss of democracy and liberty. Because the premise on which it was built, was false.

Robert Schuman, one of the EU's founding fathers, said that the EU's aim was – I quote – "to make war not only unthinkable but materially impossible." – end of quote. But the idea that Germany, France, Britain and other nations in the past went to war because they were sovereign nations is simply ridiculous.

As I tell my audience whenever and wherever I speak in Germany, it was not German patriotism that started the Second World War; it was Hitler's vicious totalitarian ideology of Nazism.

It was not German patriotism that caused the holocaust. German patriots, such as Count Stauffenberg, fought Hitler. "Let the world see that not all

Germans are like Hitler; that not all Germans are Nazis," he wrote in his diary the evening before Hitler's hounds executed him.

Likewise, it was not Russian patriotism that sent people to the Gulag; it was the Soviets' vicious totalitarian ideology of Communism. Russian patriots, such as Alexander Solzhenitsyn, stood up against the Soviets.

Nevertheless, the proponents of the EU keep pretending that without the EU, the Germans, the French, the British, the Dutch and the other nations of Europe would go to war again. The European Union has even been given the Nobel Peace Prize for the achievement of preserving peace in Europe – an achievement that is according to me NATO's rather than the EU's.

My friends, no-one knows this better than American patriots such as you: True patriots are always democrats. Because true patriots love their people and their country. You do not want your nation to be invaded by other countries. But neither do you want a totalitarian ideology, such as Communism or Nazism or Islam, to rob you of your own identity and enslave you.

Patriots want their country to be free. But people only care about the freedom of their country if they love it first. That is why one of my heroes Ronald Reagan said in his Farewell Address that we have to teach our children what our country is, what it stands for, what it represents in the long history of the world. Reagan said that Americans need – I quote – "a love of country and an appreciation of its institutions." – end of quote.

Patriotism is not a totalitarian ideology aiming for world control; it is love of one's own country and identity – and as such it is the strongest force against totalitarian ideologies aiming for world domination.

Love your country, appreciate its national institutions. As long as you do this, your country will remain the land of the free. But if you fail to do so, you will lose your freedoms. That is the lesson that we, Europeans, have learned the hard way after the past six decades of experimenting with EU transnationalism.

And the worst thing, my friends, the worst thing is that we could and should have known better.

In her last book, *Statecraft*, Margaret Thatcher wrote – I quote: "That such an unnecessary and irrational project as building a European superstate was ever embarked on will seem in future years to be perhaps the greatest folly of the modern era." – end of quote.

My friends, let me tell you about the terrible consequences of this folly.

The Europeans set out to build a political tower of Babel.

In 1957, six European nations, including my own, the Netherlands, signed the Rome Treaty. They committed themselves to the formation of – I quote from the Treaty's preamble – "an ever closer union among the peoples of Europe." – end of quote.

From the original six, the European Union's member states expanded to 27 nations today. Nations as diverse as Finland and Portugal, Ireland and Bulgaria, with their entirely different languages, cultures, traditions, habits and mentalities, were forced by their political leaders to adopt the same economic, fiscal, social, security, and foreign policies.

These policies are drawn up by the enormous, ever expanding bureaucracy of the so-called European Commission in Brussels. It issues laws – so-called "directives" – that the member-states are forced to implement in their national legislation.

As a national legislator in the Netherlands I daily experience how little we still have to say about our own fate. We are expected to rubberstamp legislation made behind closed doors in Brussels.

Both the EU Council of Ministers and the European Commission negotiate in secret and then emerge to announce their agreement and present it. That is how the system works. And we are not allowed to ask questions.

Those who dare think differently are labeled enemies of European integration. They are the so-called Europhobes.

The former Soviet dissident Vladimir Bukovsky calls the EU the EUSSR, because of its striking similarities to the former Soviet Union. He compares the European Commission to the former Soviet Politburo and Brussels to Moscow before the fall of the Iron Curtain.

Two weeks ago, I went to Prague and met with Vaclav Klaus, the former President of the Czech Republic. President Klaus speaks of Europeanism as one of the new and dangerous ideologies that have supplanted Socialism.

During his ten years in office, President Klaus refused to fly the EU flag over the Czech presidential palace. He points out

that the EU is – I quote – "based on big and patronizing government, extensive regulating of human behavior and large-scale income redistribution. It shifts government upwards, which means to the level where there is no democratic accountability and where the decisions are made by bureaucrats appointed by politicians, not elected by citizens in free elections." – end of quote.

The EU supranationalism has brought the once prosperous, sovereign and free nations of Europe economic misery, a loss of national identity, the demise of freedom and independence.

17 of the 27 EU member states have even been so foolish as to dump their national currency. By adopting the euro, the common EU currency, they joined the so-called eurozone.

Strong and solid currencies that were the pride of their nations, such as the Dutch Guilder and the German Deutschmark, were sacrificed on the altar of European unification. The then German Chancellor Helmut Kohl sold this project to his people as – I quote – "a matter of war or peace." – end of quote. The euro was presented as – I quote again – "an angel of peace."

But what did this angel do to us?

All the countries that joined the euro lost the power to adjust their currency to their own economic needs. They have destroyed their economies and have doomed their people to rising poverty and unemployment.

They all suffered as a consequence. They all have to share the burden of other countries, even if the latter are suffering from self-inflicted policies, corruption or fraud, like in Greece.

Last year, my party, the Dutch Party for Freedom, commissioned a study by the renowned independent British bureau, Lombard Street Research, into the cost for the Netherlands of the euro so far.

The study found that, since the Dutch introduced the euro, the growth of consumption spending no longer matches the growth of GDP, as it did before we joined the euro and as it still does in all the countries that kept out of the eurozone. The cost was a huge loss in consumer spending.

The study showed that continuing to uphold the euro would cost the Netherlands billions of euros. The Eurozone is a huge transfer zone, whereby taxpayers in our country are forced to subsidize other countries. The rising taxes have pushed our country, the Netherlands, into economic recession. Unemployment has grown to over 8% – the highest in decades.

And the countries that receive our taxes have no chance of recovery. They have no chance of economic growth within a monetary union where the currency is too strong for them. Millions of people

are losing their jobs as a consequence. Countries such as Spain are doomed with unemployment figures reaching almost up to 30% today.

EU countries have also lost sovereignty over their own national budgets. The European Commission – not our national government – decides how big their deficits and national debts are allowed to be. It imposes austerity measures. But at the same time it demands ever larger sums to be transferred to Brussels or to so-called rescue operations for the euro and to bail out countries, like Greece, Ireland, Portugal, Spain and Cyprus.

Last month, the EU decided to raise its budget. My country and the Dutch government opposed this decision, but we were simply overruled. We have no veto right. Now we are forced to pay even more to Brussels. While government expenditure cannot be slashed by cutting the sums demanded by the EU, the Dutch government has raised taxes dramatically. The impact has been devastating. Higher taxes have resulted in less government income and have led to a contraction of the economy and a rise in unemployment.

The same phenomenon can be seen all over Europe. The growth of expenses and taxes, the inability to create a competitive environment, the overregulation of the economy, the stifling bureaucratization – all this is leading straight to economic collapse.

But there is worse. EU member-states no longer control their own borders.

Immigration policies are decided by the European Commission and the cultural relativists who are in charge there. The current European Commissioner overseeing immigration policy is Cecilia Malmström, formerly a left-wing kind of hippy politician from Sweden. Third-World immigration has turned Sweden into a nightmare, with immigrants frequently rioting in major Swedish cities such as Stockholm and Malmö.

Mrs. Malmström is forcing all EU member states to follow the Swedish example.

Last year, I wrote her a letter. "Not one single Dutchman has voted for you," I told her. "We do not know who you are. We do not want to know who you are, but you force your ideas on our people. We are suffering from your absurd refusal to allow us even the slightest restriction to our immigration policy. You do not even want to limit the number of partners that one is allowed to bring into the Netherlands! We urge you to cease your activities and give us our sovereignty back," I wrote.

Needless to say that I am still waiting for an answer from her, despite the fact that I am an elected politician, accountable to the voters, while she is

not. That is why she can afford not to answer a parliamentarian.

Millions of non-Western immigrants are flooding into Europe, predominantly people from Islamic countries. The Pew Research Center estimated the number of Muslims in Western European countries at 18.2 million in 2010. It expects that this number will rise to almost 30 million by 2030. The Netherlands will see its Islamic population grow from 5.5 to almost 8%, Britain from 5 to 8%, Sweden will even see it double from 5 to 10%, and France will see a rise from over 7 to over 10%.

A demographic catastrophe is about to happen.

During the past three decades, so many people rooted in a culture entirely different from Europe's own Judeo-Christian and humanist tradition have entered Europe that its heritage, its freedoms, its prosperity, and its culture are in danger.

The signs are there for all to see.

Look at the names people give to their children. Mohammed is today the most popular name among newborn boys in many French, Belgian and Dutch cities. Mohammed is even the most popular name among all newborns in England and Wales.

Look at Europe's inner cities. Visit Europe and you will see that they have come to resemble Northern Africa and the Middle East. They have become areas ruled by Islamic Sharia law. Only last month, a Dutch newspaper reported that a neighborhood barely two miles from our parliament building in The Hague is now a Sharia zone.

Islamic areas also border the EU headquarters in Brussels. And less than 10 miles from Westminster, the mother of all parliaments, a British soldier's throat was slit by Islamic murderers.

Paris, the capital of France, is surrounded by largely Islamic suburbs. And so are other cities. The French authorities have even drawn up a list of 751 so-called "sensible urban areas," where it is dangerous to go, especially for native Frenchmen. These are the lost territories of the French Republic, even though a staggering 5 million people, or 8 percent of the total French population, live in them.

Even soldiers are no longer safe in Europe's streets, as the recent horrible events in Britain and France have shown. But neither are Jews. Anti-Semitism has risen, and keeps rising the more Islamic immigration we get.

Indeed, my friends, after Nazism and Communism, another totalitarian ideology is threatening Europe: the evil ideology called Islam.

In Europe, we are experiencing that the more Islamic a society becomes – even when the majority of Muslims are

moderates – the less free and tolerant it will be.

Atrocities, similar to the recent bombing in Boston, where Islamic immigrants massacred innocent onlookers at the marathon, occur in Europe as well. In my own country a few years ago, Theo van Gogh, a film maker critical of Islam, was butchered in the streets of Amsterdam.

Today, hundreds of young Islamic inhabitants of our countries have flocked to Syria to wage jihad there. They will return as experienced jihadists, trained in urban guerrilla warfare. But while you in America are still able to do something about it, while you can control and close your borders, while Congress can vote legislation to protect American citizens, we in Europe have been robbed of this possibility by the European Union.

And there is not only the threat of terrorism or violence; there is also the phenomenon of non-violent jihad. The rise of Islam means the rise of Islamic sharia law in our judicial systems. In Europe, we have sharia wills, sharia schools, sharia banks. In Britain, they even have official sharia courts.

Europe is gradually Islamizing. People who criticize Islam, such as myself, are threatened by Al Qaeda and dragged to court by Islamic and leftist groups. There is not just me, there is the journalist Lars Hedegaard, the author Salman Rushdie, the cartoonist Kurt Westergaard, and many others.

We criticize Islam and we will keep on doing so, because it is a dangerous ideology. It is intolerant, it is violent. And, worst of all, it cannot be reformed. It cannot because it believes that the Koran is a book written directly by Allah himself. And it cannot because it calls on Muslims to follow Muhammad as the role model for their personal life. There could not be a worse model than this man, who was a warlord, a terrorist, and a pedophile.

While most Muslims are moderate people, those who think that they have to follow Muhammad's example are not. That is exactly the reason why the more Islamic a country becomes, the more unfree and violent it will be.

Europe needs to be protected against this new totalitarian threat.

That is why I say: No more immigrants from the Islamic world! My party wants to close our borders to immigration from Islamic countries.

And ever more people support us.

A poll, which we commissioned ten days ago, shows that 77% of the Dutch do not see Islam as an enrichment for our country, 68% say there is more than enough Islam in the Netherlands already. A majority of the voters of all the major parties in my country – even

the voters from leftist parties – agree with these two principles.

The poll also showed that 55% of the Dutch want a stop on immigration from Islamic countries, 63% want no more mosques, 72% see a relationship between Islam and the recent terror attacks in Boston, London and Paris, 72% want a constitutional ban on Islamic Sharia law.

Ordinary people in Europe want three things.

One – They want their politicians to tackle the problem of Islamization and mass immigration. They want to control their own borders.

Two – They want to restore their national sovereignty. They do not want their countries to become provinces of a pan-European superstate.

Three – They do not want their money to be used to pay for mistakes made elsewhere. They do not want a transfer union where they have to pay higher taxes to bail out other countries, whose leaders were either corrupt or incompetent.

Poll after poll show that ordinary Europeans do not want their democracy to be subverted. Last April, a pan-European poll showed that a clear majority of the population in the major EU member states no longer trust the EU as an institution. Even in Germany the number has reached almost 60%.

This week a Gallup poll showed that for the first time in history in the Netherlands as many people want to leave the EU as stay in. A few years ago, this was unthinkable.

The strength of Europe is its diversity. Europe is not a nation; it is a cluster of nations, bound by a common Judeo-Christian and humanist culture, but with different national identities.

Last January, British Prime Minister David Cameron delivered a speech in which he said that the EU needed to change.

He spoke about "the lack of democratic accountability," "the excessive regulation," and everything that is wrong in the EU. And there are many things I agree with, but I do not share his belief that the EU's nature can be changed. Mr. Cameron believes that the EU can be transformed into – I quote – "a more flexible, adaptable and open European Union." – end of quote. I do not believe this. If an organization has as its explicit goal that it strives for "an ever closer union," it simply cannot start moving in the opposite direction and relinquish the powers it has already acquired.

We can see how the mechanism works in the way in which the EU deals with the eurozone crisis. Rather than turning away from the destructive path that has so far been followed, Brussels is using

this crisis to enforce an even tighter control over the member states.

The European Union simply cannot be democratized because the whole structure is built on a negation of democracy. As President Klaus pointed out, there can be no European democracy because there is no European demos – no European people. There can only be various European democracies – plural! – in the various European nations. What the EU does is destroy these various democracies.

And, hence, my party's position is very clear. We opt for an exit from the European Union. We want the Netherlands not just out of the Eurozone, but out of the EU altogether – including the so-called Schengen area, the group of 26 European countries that have abolished passport and immigration controls at their common borders. We reserve the right to reinstall random border controls.

We want to retain our independence. We want home rule! We want to be the masters in our own house! We want to be the masters over our own borders. We want to be the masters of our own money. The Party for Freedom wants the Netherlands to leave the EU and join the European Free Trade Association EFTA.

But here is the good news, my friends. As I have already indicated, public support for the EU is growing thin by the day.

For months now, my party has been the biggest in the polls.

And we are not the only one.

In Britain, UKIP, the United Kingdom Independence Party, which wants to lead Britain out of the EU, has come second in many by-elections and local and county elections during the past two years. It is polling an average of a quarter of the votes. And it is growing. In France last year, Marine Le Pen scored 18% in the presidential elections. She has now overtaken President François Hollande. She opposes the EU. And her popularity is growing.

In Germany, it is still considered far too politically-incorrect to reject the EU. Nevertheless a new party, the Alternative for Germany, wants to take the country out of the eurozone. And its appeal is growing.

In Italy, both the country's largest party, Beppe Grillo's Five Star Movement, and the the Lega Nord, the largest party in the North, want a referendum on a return to the Lira, while the Lega Nord has called the EU a failed project.

In Portugal a book advocating quitting the euro has become an instant bestseller. A proposal that was taboo until recently is now discussed openly, with the country's Chief Justice

personally coming out in support of eurozone exit.

All over Europe, anti-EU feelings are growing. All over Europe there are patriot parties that reflect the resurgence of national pride in their countries, whether it be the Netherlands, Britain, France, Sweden, Finland, Denmark, Austria, Italy, Flanders, the Czech Republic, Germany, and the other nations currently trapped in the European Union.

As I said, here is the good news.

Europe might be on the verge of a fundamental change for the better. We seem to be on the eve of a major and truly historic event. In Europe, the time is ripe for a glorious democratic and non-violent revolution to preserve our national freedoms and restore our sovereignty.

Exactly one year from now, the 27 member states of the European Union will be holding elections for the European Parliament.

People are finally ready all over Europe to rebel in the ballot box.

They reject the transfer union. They no longer want to pay for corrupt states.

They reject the supranational experiment of the European Union.

They are ready to cast their votes for a restoration of national sovereignty.

They are ready to defend their own cultural identity.

All they need is decent political leadership able to lead their nations out of the EU and towards a better future.

America's first president George Washington has shown that when courageous and democratic politicians are available to lead their country, they can lay the groundwork for a lasting democratic framework that guarantees freedom and prosperity for centuries to come.

My friends, my party in the Netherlands and several other parties in other European countries are preparing themselves for next year's electoral landslide.

We can feel the heartbeat of the New Patriotism in Europe.

Winter is over.

Spring is coming.

The European Spring is upon us.

And we are getting ready for it.

We are aware of our historic task.

That is why I am especially happy to be here in California today. Because the great inspirer of our upcoming democratic revolution, is one of yours. Your hero, my hero, Ronald Reagan! – who in his presidential Farewell Address said that the achievement he was most proud of in his entire presidency was "the resurgence of national pride." "The New Patriotism," as he called it.

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Next Spring's European elections offer a unique chance to correct the fatal error made by previous politicians who sold away their taxpayers' money and their national sovereignty to Brussels and delivered their countries to the evils of mass immigration and Islamization.

As a European politician, I am fully aware of my duty to grab this chance. The European elections next May must deal a blow to the parties that sold us out to the EU. Not just in the Netherlands. But everywhere in Europe. That is why I do what is in my power to forge an alliance of democratic parties standing for the restoration of the sovereignty and freedom of their nation. I want to bring these parties together in a common endeavor to defend our identity and our values. I do not know whether I will succeed, but I am trying. It is my conviction that we have to work together. Because we are all in the same boat.

My friends, it is easy to despair. Time is running out for Britain, for France, for Germany, for the Netherlands, for all the other great nations of Europe. The present situation in Europe is bleak. If we do nothing, it will become even bleaker. If we do nothing we will be swept away by economic and demographic disaster.

But it is wrong to despair. The present is bleak, but the future looks bright. Because the future depends on our actions. We are the actors on the stage of history. That, too, is a lesson from Ronald Reagan, who said: "We need to act today, to preserve tomorrow".

I went to Paris recently to talk to Marine Le Pen and see for myself who she is and what she stands for. She is not her father. She is not anti-Semitic. She cares about France, its identity and its sovereignty.

I went to Prague to talk to President Klaus.

In the coming weeks and months, I will try to see as many patriot leaders in Europe as possible. And I always ask them for their views on Israel. Because Israel is the litmus proof.

The Jewish people did exactly the opposite of what the Europeans did after the Second World War. They drew the right conclusion. They realized that without a nation-state of their own there could be no safety for their people.

Without a nation-state, without self-governance, without self-determination there can be no security for a people nor preservation of its identity. This was the insight that led the Zionists to strive for the re-establishment of the state of Israel. Theodore Herzl said that there had to be a Jewish state in order to ensure – I quote – "a new blossoming of the Jewish spirit." – end of quote.

Indeed, a soul needs a body. The spirit of a people cannot flourish outside the body of the nation-state. The nation-state is the political body in which we live. We must preserve and cherish it. So that we can pass on to our children our national identity, our democracy, our liberty.

My friends, what we need today is Zionism for the nations of Europe. The Europeans need to follow the example of the Jewish people and re-establish their nation-state.

And that, my dear friends, is why every patriot, apart from being a democrat, by definition also has to be a true friend of Israel. A patriot cannot be anti-Semitic.

My friends, the great Zionist leader Ze'ev Jabotinsky said about the Jewish people: "We do not have to apologize for anything. We are a people as all other peoples; we do not have any intentions to be better than the rest. We do not have to account to anybody. We are what we are, we are good for ourselves, we will not change, nor do we want to." – end of quote.

And so it is. For all the peoples. We do not have to apologize for being good to ourselves. We do not have to change if we do not want to change.

The peoples of Europe resent the permanent alienation of power from their nation-states. They care about their nations because they care about democracy and freedom and the wellbeing of their children. They see their democratic rights and their ancient liberties symbolized in their national flags. They are proud of their flag. And as long as their pride lasts, they will have a future.

Let us emphasize this commitment to the resurgence of our national pride with a symbolic gesture. Let us do so by endorsing the Jewish nation-state and move the embassies of our countries from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. Let us fly the flags of all the free and proud nations of the world over embassies in Jerusalem, the only true capital of Israel and the cradle of our Judeo-Christian civilization.

Israel deserves our support. Not only because it is the frontline against the totalitarian threat of Islam, but also because it shows how important it is for a people to have its own homeland.

My friends,

Today, a new threat is confronting us. But history shows that we can withstand it if we stand together.

We need an alliance, not only of patriots in Europe, but also an alliance between America and Europe.

We need the help and support of American patriots such as you. Such an alliance brings out the best in us, and

allows us to beat the totalitarian menace.

This was proven by the alliance between Roosevelt and Churchill in the 1940s.

It defeated Nazism.

It was proven by the alliance between Reagan and Thatcher in the 1980s.

It defeated Communism.

Today, Islam is a threat to all of us, to Israel, to Europe, to America. But together we can withstand it.

And we have to stand together or we will be defeated. We have no other choice.

As the great Margaret Thatcher said: "Defeat – I do not recognize the meaning of the word."

And neither should we!

Thank you.

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Geert Wilders on Europe: Israel is the litmus proof

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Dutch politician Geert Wilders spoke in Los Angeles on Sunday and gave a brilliant speech about the future of Europe. You can find the full speech [here](#). I'd like to share one part of it with you (Hat Tip: **Herb G.**).

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